



North Carolina State Agriculture Overview - 2004

Farms

Number of Farms	52,000
Land in Farms (acres)	9,000,000
Average Farm Size (acres)	173

Livestock Inventory

Cattle and Calves - All (Jan. 1, 2005)	870,000
Hogs & Pigs - All (Dec. 1, 2004)	9,900,000
Sheep	20,000

Broilers

Eggs Set	17,561,000
Chicks Placed	14,123,000

Milk

Milk Cows (Average head)	57,000
Milk Production per Cow (lbs)	17,649
Production (lbs)	1,006,000,000

Crops - Planted, Harvested, Yield, Production, Price(MYA), Value of Production

Commodity	Planted All Purpose Acres	Harvested Acres	Yield	Production	Price per Unit	Value of Production Dollars
Tobacco All (All Classes)		156,100	2,246.0 lbs	350,560,000 lbs	1.85 dols / lb	650,104,000
Tobacco Flue-Cured East Nc Belt (Type 12)		89,000	2,250.0 lbs	200,250,000 lbs	1.86 dols / lb	371,464,000
Soybeans	1,530,000	1,500,000	34.0 bus	51,000,000 bus	5.05 dols / bu	257,550,000
Cotton Upland	730,000	725,000	900.0 lbs	1,360,000 bales	0.39 dols / lb	251,424,000
Corn For Grain	820,000	740,000	117.0 bus	86,580,000 bus	2.35 dols / bu	203,463,000
Tobacco Flue-Cured Old/Mid Belts (Type 11)		43,000	2,350.0 lbs	101,050,000 lbs	1.86 dols / lb	187,751,000
Hay All (Dry)		712,000	2.5 tons	1,776,000 tons	61.00 dols / ton	108,120,000
Hay Other (Dry)		700,000	2.5 tons	1,750,000 tons	60.00 dols / ton	105,000,000
Sweet Potatoes	45,000	43,000	160.0 cwt	6,880,000 cwt	13.50 dols / cwt	92,880,000
Tobacco Flue-Cured Nc Bord & Sc Belt (Type 13)		19,400	2,200.0 lbs	42,680,000 lbs	1.83 dols / lb	78,104,000
Peanuts for Nuts	105,000	105,000	3,500.0 lbs	367,500,000 lbs	0.22 dols / lb	77,112,000
Wheat Winter All	600,000	460,000	50.0 bus	23,000,000 bus	3.10 dols / bu	71,300,000
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Cotton Seed				447,000 tons	93.50 dols / ton	42,449,000
Potatoes Spring	17,000	13,500	200.0 cwt	2,700,000 cwt	5.95 dols / cwt	16,065,000
Potatoes All	17,000	13,500	200.0 cwt	2,700,000 cwt	5.95 dols / cwt	16,065,000
Tobacco Air-Cured Light Burley (Type 31)		4,700	1,400.0 lbs	6,580,000 lbs	1.94 dols / lb	12,785,000
Oats	55,000	25,000	70.0 bus	1,750,000 bus	1.80 dols / bu	3,150,000
Hay Alfalfa (Dry)		12,000	2.2 tons	26,000 tons	120.00 dols / ton	3,120,000
Barley All	23,000	15,000	64.0 bus	960,000 bus	2.10 dols / bu	2,016,000
Sorghum For Grain	17,000	14,000	52.0 bus	728,000 bus	3.75 dols / cwt	1,529,000
Corn For Silage		75,000	19.0 tons	1,425,000 tons		
Sorghum For Silage		2,000	11.0 tons	22,000 tons		
Cotton All	730,000	725,000	900.0 lbs	1,360,000 bales		
Alfalfa & Alfalfa Mixtures - New Seedings	1,000					
Field & Misc Crops	4,765,000					

2002 Census of Agriculture State Profile
United States Department of Agriculture, North Carolina Agricultural Statistics Service

North Carolina - Ranked items within U.S. 2002

Item	Quantity	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)			
Total value of agricultural products sold	6,961,686	8	50
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,008,634	15	50
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	4,953,052	6	50
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)			
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	359,296	24	50
Tobacco	630,397	1	23
Cotton and cottonseed	181,835	6	17
Vegetables, melons, potatoes and sweet potatoes	215,247	14	50
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	55,756	15	50
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	424,478	8	50
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	57,625	2	50
Other crops and hay	84,001	31	50
Poultry and eggs	2,382,365	3	50
Cattle and calves	185,222	36	50
Milk and other dairy products from cows	150,406	30	50
Hogs and pigs	2,183,646	2	50
Sheep, goats, and their products	2,960	31	50
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	15,202	21	50
Aquaculture	17,669	14	50
Other animals and other animal products	15,581	18	50
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)			
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	149,439,592	4	50
Turkeys	14,554,229	2	50
Layers 20 weeks old and older	10,150,213	12	50
Hogs and pigs	9,887,421	2	50
Cattle and calves	848,061	35	50
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)			
Soybeans	1,314,672	16	41
All Cotton	924,097	4	17
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	715,519	29	50
Corn for grain	700,045	17	49
All Wheat for grain	446,438	17	48

Other Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:		Farms by value of sales	
Farming	31,669	Less than \$1,000	13,520
Other	22,261	\$1,000 to \$2,499	8,576
		\$2,500 to \$4,999	6,350
Principal operators by sex:		\$5,000 to \$9,999	5,925
Male	48,574	\$10,000 to \$19,999	4,585
Female	5,356	\$20,000 to \$24,999	1,273
		\$25,000 to \$39,999	1,848
Average age of principal operator (years)	56	\$40,000 to \$49,999	854
		\$50,000 to \$99,999	2,208
All operators ² by race:		\$100,000 to \$249,999	2,630
White	71,052	\$250,000 to \$499,999	2,579
Black or African American	2,121	\$500,000 or more	3,582
American Indian or Alaska Native	612		
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	12	Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	5,645,471
Asian	152	Average per farm (\$)	104,672
More than one race	280		
		Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,557,074
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	780	Average per farm (\$)	28,869

(D) Cannot be disclosed. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

¹ Universe is number of states in U.S. with item.

² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.